

ARKANSAS
WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



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REPORTING FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 16, 2003 CROP YEAR

RELEASED: November 17, 3PM - There were 5 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 6% very short, 24% short, 64% adequate, and 6% surplus.

CROPS: Rainfall this week forced delays in harvesting both cotton and soybeans. Still, most producers attempted to complete harvest between showers. A few producers have considered scrapping cotton. Wheat planting was also slowed by the week's weather. However, the rain proved beneficial for wheat emergence in the eastern part of the state. The week's remaining activities involved land leveling and field preparation for next season.

LIVESTOCK: Livestock are reported to be in good condition. Some producers are observing cattle for acorn poisoning symptoms. Throughout the state, producers are continuing to sell worked cattle. Due to adequate moisture in the northwestern part of the state pastures are reportedly in excellent condition.

Crop Progress and Conditions

Progress %					Condition %				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
CORN									
SOYBEANS									
Yellowing	100	99	100	100					
Shedding	98	96	100	100					
Matured*	97	95	99	n/a					
Harvested	92	85	77	91					
SORGHUM									
COTTON									
Harvested	95	85	81	95					
RICE									
WHEAT					1	3	25	60	11
Planted	94	85	68	84					
Emerged	83	68	55	67					
PASTURE & RANGE .									

*Soybeans matured data begins with 2002.

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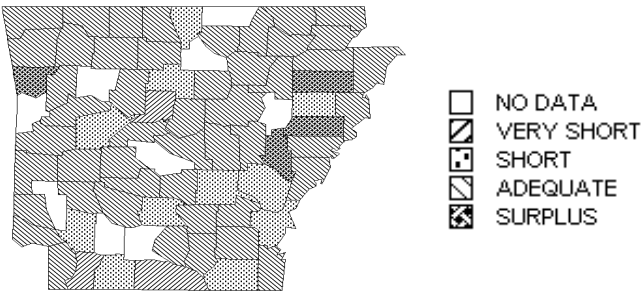
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SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

November 16, 2003. Temperatures were above normal. Rainfall was below normal. El Dorado, Eudora and Fort Smith recorded the high temperature of 82° and Calico Rock recorded the low temperature of 29°. Precipitation ranged from a high of 2.75 inches at Rohwer to 0.00 inches at Camden.



TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING: November 16, 2003

DISTRICT AND STATION	TEMPERATURES			RAINFALL				
	HIGH	LOW	DEP FROM NORM	WEEK ENDING NOV 16	CURR NOV ACCUM.	NOV NORMAL	JAN-OCT	
							2003	NORMAL
1 Fayetteville	74	40	7	0.49	2.00	4.74	31.59	38.08
Harrison	75	38	6	0.45	1.51	4.96	30.31	36.61
2 Calico Rock	78	29	3	0.66	1.67	4.93	35.76	37.06
Gilbert	77	31	4	0.96	2.39	5.18	32.28	35.72
Greers Ferry	79	38	4	1.35	1.80	5.92	43.89	40.46
Mountain Home	75	36	2	0.81	2.26	5.31	34.93	35.98
3 Batesville	81	37	4	0.55	1.16	5.48	53.37	38.03
Jonesboro	79	31	4	1.52	1.75	5.02	43.63	36.91
Keiser	80	33	0	1.92	2.06	4.84	41.89	40.13
Newport	81	36	1	1.06	1.33	5.55	46.61	38.53
4 Booneville	78	40	2	0.28	2.10	5.08	25.05	38.44
Clarksville	78	41	4	0.63	2.23	5.08	29.13	37.54
Dardanelle	79	42	6	0.39	1.11	5.36	28.03	38.93
Ft. Smith	82	44	5	0.37	2.87	4.80	23.84	35.68
Mena	75	41	5	0.43	2.47	5.88	34.26	47.49
Ozark	77	39	2	0.34	2.65	5.06	32.66	36.24
5 Conway	78	41	4	0.58	1.03	5.24	47.24	38.64
Hot Springs	77	38	1	0.52	2.75	6.29	41.51	46.20
Little Rock	81	46	7	0.55	1.73	5.73	33.05	40.49
N Little Rock	80	46	7	0.64	1.66	5.74	32.21	38.92
6 Brinkley	78	40	5	1.68	2.94	4.76	29.82	39.68
Marianna	75	37	5	1.80	2.45	5.22	30.89	42.16
Stuttgart	81	38	4	0.70	1.25	5.06	34.33	34.33
7 Hope	77	39	5	0.38	0.96	5.91	36.11	43.54
Texarkana	80	43	9	0.04	0.68	5.34	28.89	37.21
8 Camden	80	44	6	0.00	0.37	5.23	36.96	42.74
El Dorado	82	45	11	1.19	1.30	4.80	33.47	44.51
Warren	77	43	6	1.41	1.56	5.26	36.60	44.92
9 Eudora	82	43	6	0.29	0.29	5.36	39.02	45.49
Pine Bluff	77	40	4	0.37	0.51	4.87	35.53	42.20
Rohwer	79	38	6	2.75	2.75	5.40	38.12	40.99